

Washoe County Park and Open Space Grants

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Grant Funding Sources:

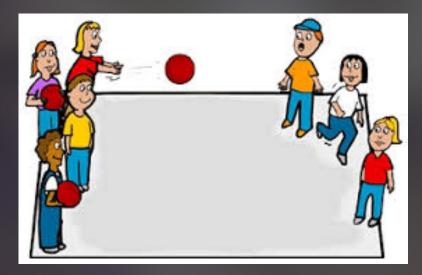
- Federal
- ➤ State
- Local Government (City/County)
- Foundation/Non-Profit



Grant Funding Sources:

What is "pass-through" funding?

- The federal government allows grant recipients to act as passthrough entities in order to provide funding to other recipients. The pass-through entity receives federal funds which it "passes on" or "passes through it" to other recipients.
- The entity that receives funds from a pass-through entity is considered a subrecipient. This usually occurs when a federal program lacks the organizational capabilities to provide assistance directly to the final recipients and requires support from other entities to do so.





Challenges of Federal Grants:

- Must comply with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements.
 - May require site surveys (cultural, botanical, wildlife).
 - Categorical Exclusion (CE), Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) must be prepared.
 - Federal agency is responsible for issuing a Decision and/or Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).





Challenges of Federal Grants:

- Non-federal matching funds required in most cases.
- Additional purchasing and contracting requirements.
- In general, more documentation required for reimbursement and reporting (quarterly).



Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF):

- Federal funding from the National Park Service
- Nevada Division of State Parks is the pass-through entity.
- ➤ 50/50 non-federal match required.





Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF):

Funding to be used for development of local parks, playgrounds, and other recreational spaces. Funding can be used to:

- Acquire lands and waters for public outdoor recreation
- Develop basic outdoor recreation facilities for the public
- Renovate existing outdoor recreation facilities
- A combination of the above.



LWCF Current Projects:

Rancho San Rafael Regional Park - All-Inclusive Playground (\$455,000):

- Selected by NV Division of State Parks, final award in March 2021.
- Playground renovation and ADA improvements.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time and WC-1 Bond Funds.

Riverbend Trailhead and River Access Path (\$212,000):

- Selected by NV Division of State Parks, final award in March 2021.
- New parking lot, access path, bridge crossings, signage, and site restoration.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, volunteer hours, WC-1 bond funds, and SQ-1 bond funds.







LWCF Past Projects:

Washoe County Land Water and Conservation Grants

Project	Grant Award	Year Awarded	Federal #
Davis Creek Park	\$112,458.00	1967	32-00009
Crystal Peak Park Acquisition	\$57,900.00	1972	32-00042
Lemmon Valley Park	\$50,533.60	1974	32-00082
Sun Valley Park	\$50,038.97	1975	32-00105
Hidden Valley Park	\$82,664.20	1977	32-00125
Washoe Co. Truckee River Acq.	\$80,377.37	1978	32-00144
Washoe Co Reg. Shooting Facility	\$69,671.25	1978	32-00148
Washoe Co Reg. Shooting Facility #2	\$50,880.00	1979	32-00169A
South Hills Community Park Development	\$91,584.00	1979	32-00169B
Galena Creek Park Development	\$81,408.00	1979	32-00169C
Galena Creek Park - Phase II	\$101,596.79	1998	32-00172B
Mayberry Park-Phase II	\$50,880.00	1980	32-00172E
Rancho San Rafael Phase I	\$458,812.40	1981	32-00177E
Silver Knolls Park Development	\$37,000.00	1984	32-00188F
Great Basin Interpretive Trail	\$33,000.00	1987	32-00203
Truckee River Land Acquisitions	\$26,500.00	1995	32-00238
Camp WeCheMe Hatchery Renovation	\$165,000.00	2004	
Camp WeChMe Restroom/Parking Lot	\$250,000.00	2005	32-00276
Pah Rah Interpretive Center	\$150,000.00	2006	32-00290-1
Playground Rehabilitation Projects	\$224,744.00	2010	32-00315
Mogul Playground Rehabilitation Project	\$86,750.00	2011	32-00320
Trails Rehabilitation Project	\$63,993.79	2012	32-00321
North Valleys Playground Rehabilitation Project	\$126,207.50	2014	32-00333
South Valley Playground Resurfacing	\$91,207.50	2016	32-00339
	\$2,593,207.37		





Recreational Trails Program (RTP):

- Federal funding from the Federal Highway Administration
- Nevada Division of State Parks is the pass-through entity.
- > 20% non-federal match required.





Recreational Trails Program (RTP):

Funding to be used for motorized, non-motorized, and educational recreational trail projects. Funding can be used for:

- New trail construction or existing trail restoration
- Trailhead facilities (restrooms, signage, kiosks, etc.)
- Purchase of tools for trail work.
- Land acquisition for trail purposes.
- Safety and educational programs.
- Trail planning, engineering/design documents.







RTP Current Projects:

Ballardini Ranch to Thomas Creek Connector Trail (\$40,000):

- Awarded in 2019, still waiting on final paperwork.
- New trail construction and signage.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time and WC-1 Bond Funds.

Sierra Front Trail System Planning (\$97,000):

- Application submitted in fall 2020, awards announced in December.
- Planning costs including site plans, site surveys, and environmental assessment (EA).
- Non-federal match provided through staff time and WC-1 bond funds.





RTP Current Projects:

Trail Maintenance and Repair (\$62,000):

- Application submitted in fall 2020, awards announced in December.
- Trail maintenance and repair on sections of Galena Creek Trail, Lower Whites Creek Trail, Huffaker Hills Loop Trails, Browns Creek Trail, and Ballardini Ranch Loop Trails.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, Infrastructure Preservation (IP), and WC-1 bond funds.





RTP Past Projects:

RTP Grant History		
Hidden Valley	2004	\$31,260
Galena 1	2005	\$100,000
Galena 2	2006	\$69,700
Trails Guide 1	2007	\$19,680
Sun Valley RP	2008	\$100,000
Trails Guide 2	2008	\$25,000
Silverlake	2008	\$82,262
Bowers-Davis		
South Maintenance	2010	\$96,868
North Maintenance	2008	\$ 81,073.00
Huffaker Hills		<u>\$ 61,100.00</u>
Total Funds Received:		\$666,943



Hazardous Fuels – Community Protection (HF-CP):

- Federal funding from the Forest Service
- Nevada Division of Forestry is the passthrough entity.
- > 10% or more non-federal match required.





Hazardous Fuels – Community Protection (HF-CP):

Funding to mitigate wildfire risk within Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas. Funding can be used for:

- Hazardous fuels reduction.
- Restoration of fire-adapted ecosystems.





HF-CP Current and Past Projects:

Arrowcreek Hazardous Fuels Treatment #2 (\$39,000):

- Awarded in 2018, project completed in 2020.
- Fuels reduction treatments in Arrowcreek open space included mastication and sheep grazing. In partnership with Arrowcreek HOA.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time and donated sheep grazing from Borda Land and Sheep Co.

Arrowcreek Hazardous Fuels Treatment #1 (\$24,000):

- Awarded in 2014, project completed in 2015
- Fuels reduction treatments in Arrowcreek open space in partnership with Arrowcreek HOA.
- Non-federal match provided through use of equipment, inmate work crew hours, and staff time.



Landscape Scale Restoration (LSR):

- Federal funding from the Forest Service
- Nevada Division of Forestry is the pass-through entity.
- ➢ 50/50 non-federal match required.



Landscape Scale Restoration (LSR):

Funding to address local or statewide forest and rangeland resource issues, along with goals and strategies in Nevada's Forest Action Plan(FAP). Funding can be used to:

- Assess needs and develop plans (e.g., landscape scale or watershed restoration plans).
- Conduct actions or treatments on a broad scale to increase and maintain landscape resistance to disturbance and resiliency following disturbance.
- Increase forest related benefits to rural communities.
- Provide education and outreach to train landowners or organizations in sound stewardship practices.





LSR Current and Past Projects:

Washoe County Parks & Open Space Weed Management and Revegetation (\$100,000):



- Application submitted in 2020, subgrant awards announced in October.
- Noxious weed inventories and treatments, revegetation including seeding and planting of container stock.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, volunteer hours, and Truckee River Fund Grant #240.

Medusahead Grant (\$206,000):

- Awarded in 2014, project completed in 2018.
- Weed inventories and treatments targeted at Medusahead.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, volunteer hours, and Truckee River Fund Grants.





NDOW Hunter Education Program – Shooting Range Grant:

- Federal funding from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- Nevada Department of Wildlife is the pass-through entity.
- 25% non-federal match required.





NDOW Hunter Education Program – Shooting Range Grant:

Funding to encourage significant improvements, prioritize safety and environmental concerns, increase hours and public accessibility and create more facilities to host hunter education program activities.



NDOW Shooting Range Grant Current Projects:

Regional Shooting and Archery Facility Improvements (\$376,000):

- Awarded in 2020.
- Development of a Master Plan for the Regional Archery Facility. Road/drainage improvements, classroom update, berm improvements at the Regional Shooting Facility.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, volunteer hours, Infrastructure Preservation (IP), and medium equipment purchase.



Truckee River Fund (TRF):

- Local funding through Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA).
- Community Foundation of Western Nevada is the pass-through entity.
- > 25% minimum match required.



Truckee River Fund (TRF):

Funding to protect and enhance water quality or water resources of the Truckee River or its watershed. Funding can be used for:

- Projects that improve bank or channel stabilization and decrease erosion.
- Structural controls or Low Impact Development projects on tributaries and drainages of the Truckee River...
- Projects that remove pollution from the Truckee River.
- Projects that remove or control invasive aquatic specie or terrestrial invasive plant species that are adverse to the water supply.





TRF Current and Past Projects:

TRF #240 – Truckee River Park and Open Space Weed Treatments and Revegetation (\$45,000):

- Awarded in 2020 for treatments through 2022.
- Noxious weed inventories, weed treatments, revegetation through seeding and planting.
- Match provided through staff time and volunteer hours.

TRF #220 – Weed Treatments and Revegetation in the Truckee River Corridor (\$45,000):

- Awarded in 2019, project completion in November 2020.
- Noxious weed inventories, weed treatments, revegetation through seeding and planting.
- Match provided through staff time and volunteer hours.





Other Foundation Grants:

> William N. Pennington:

- Current projects include Bowers Mansion Restoration and Bowers Pool Maintenance and Repair.
- > Wilbur D. May Foundation:
 - Funds go to the Arboretum and Museum at Rancho San Rafael Regional Park.



Future Grant Opportunities:

- Carson-Truckee Water Conservancy:
 - Local funding for weed abatement along the Truckee River.
- Nonpoint Source Grant Program (319h):
 - State funding for weed abatement based on watershed plans.
- Nevada Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP):
 - Improve transportation facilities that provide access to federal lands. Potential trailhead development along the Truckee River.







